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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

Group Art Unit: unassigned

HUGH STEPHEN LAVER ET AL

Examiner: unassigned

APPLICATION NO: CONTINUATION OF

APPLICATION NO:09/872,928

FILED: CONCURRENTLY HEREWITH

FOR: STABILIZERS FOR POWDER COATINGS

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Kindly amend this application as follows prior to calculation of the filing fee and consideration on the merits.

IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly amend the claims to read as follows.